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Dear Sir:

Please find the enclosed English translation of the non-provisional patent application that was filed in the German language on December 19, 2003. The English language translation is believed to be an accurate translation of the German language patent application as filed.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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